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Senate Bill 170, 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019, required the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to calculate a prospective reimbursement methodology for the payment of inpatient services to rural hospitals participating in Medicaid using the hospitals' most recent cost information. This proposed realignment of rural hospital inpatient Standard Dollar Amounts is published for public comment on September 1, 2020 for proposed rates to be effective on September 1, 2021.

Written comments regarding the proposed rates will be accepted until 5 p.m. November 30, 2020. Written comments may be sent by U.S. mail to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Attention: Provider Finance, Mail Code H-400, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030; by fax to Rate Analysis at (512) 730-7475; or by e-mail to program staff.

In addition, written comments will be accepted by overnight mail or hand delivery to Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Attention: Provider Finance, Mail Code H-400, Brown-Heatly Building, 4900 North Lamar, Austin, Texas 78751. The realignment plan is available for viewing on the <u>Provider Finance Department website</u>.

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